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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director Administration 
Assistant Director for Personnel

- 1. There is attached herewith a copy of S. 3525, a bill to amend the provisions of the Act authorizing payment of a sixmonth death gratuity to dependent relatives of persons in the Armed Forces. The bill expands the categories of persons to whom such a death gratuity may be paid. This bill passed the Senate.
- 2. A somewhat similar bill, M.R. 1426, passed the House and Senate during the last Congress. However, when an attempt to reach agreement on the two different versions was sought in conference, the House refused to accept the Senate version which would have made the payments retroactive to 7 December 1941, and, therefore, the bill did not become law.

3. I am forwarding a copy of the bill herewith, together with a copy of the Senate and House reports, so that you may be aware of current Congressional thinking on the problem of death gratuities.

STATINTL

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Attachments

